so great and so frequent, that my convictions of causal nexus are often wavering. I cannot expect that others, who have been less interested in the study of cyclical meteorology, will accept my qualified belief in systematic disturbances by Jupiter or other planets, until a sufficient number of observations have been compared at a sufficient number of stations, to furuish data for successful prediction.

Notwithstanding my persuasion that such data will be at some time attainable, I see, as yet, few encouraging indications of any conclusive and satisfactory termination for my researches in this particular direction. This very vagueness and lack of certainty furnishes a new and somewhat unexpected argument in favor of appreciable lunar weather-action; for, if the tabulation of rainfall in planetary cycles had not shown so great deviations from uniformity, the regularity might, perhaps, have been regarded as an accidental resultant from some unknown law of harmonic functions, entirely independent of the influence assumed as a supposed cause. The impossibility of explaining the regularity by simple tidal action would have fully justified such skepticism.

But when we find that the lunar tabulations bring out such accordances as I have already shown (Proc. Amer. Phil. Soc., x, 436-9, 523-37; xi, 203 ; xii, $38-9,178-90,523-9,550-9$ ), while the Jovian influence, although possibly greater in point of magnitude, is more questionable and more easily overcome or hidden, I think we have good reason to consider the fact of lunar influence as practically demonstrated, and to hope, at no distant day, for a valuable extension of our weather-forecasts by means of that influence.
Comparing the several sets of normals in these tables, by noting the agreements or disagreements in the excess or deficiency of average rainfall at corresponding periods, we find no marked evidence of resemblance in the nine-years' groupings; but in the twelve-year groups, corresponding nearly to a Jovian year, there are eighteen agreements to twelve disagreements, and there is a degree of resemblance in the aspect of the plotted curves which it is difficult to believe accidental. A similar comparison shows a similarity of character between the curves at Philadelphia, Lisbon, San Francisco and Barbadoes, and an opposition between each of them and the higher-latitude curve of Greenwich.

## CYCLICAL RAINFALL AT BARBADOES.

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(Read before the American Philosophical Society, June 19th, 1874.)
I confess to a feeling of some disappointment at the first results of my examination of the lunar monthly rainfall at "Husband's" Station in the island of Barbadoes. If I had no more satisfactory evidence of cyclical regularity, and if further study had not enabled me to eliminate some of
the disturbing elements，I should have been compelled to consider the evidences of lunar influence on the weather quite as questionable as those of discoverable planetary influence．

My predictions of increasing range and regularity of disturbance，in approaching the equator，had been confirmed by comparisons of observa－ tions in Great Britain，Canada，New England，Philadelphia，Lisbon and San Francisco．Their apparent failure in an island which seemed，on many accounts，so favorably situated for their verification，cast a shadow of doubt on my previous conclusions，and I was even inclined to ask if it could be possible that the many coincidences which I had taken as in－ dicative of law，were merely accidental．

This skepticism，however，was soon removed．The cumulative action of the aerial tidal－waves in blending different currents，of which I have so often spoken，may be easily obscured，if it is not wholly overborne，by insular influences，by the violent hurricanes to which the Windward Islands are subject，and even by the occasional intrusion of the south－ easterly trade－winds．Where there is a liability to sudden heavy rains， any one of which wonld suffice to make important changes in a curve

TABLE 1.
Normal Percentages of Rainfall at＂Husband＇s，＂in Thirtieths of a Solar Year，and on Lunar Days at Different Epochs．

|  | Solar． |  |  |  | Lunar． |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { io } \\ & 0 \\ & 1 \\ & \vdots \\ & \infty \\ & \infty \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $\circ$ $\stackrel{\circ}{\circ}$ $\stackrel{1}{+\infty}$ $\stackrel{\infty}{\infty}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \dot{8} \\ & \dot{n} \\ & \dot{n} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \dot{i} \\ & i 2 \\ & \dot{8} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 穹 } \\ & \text { 岇 } \\ & \stackrel{\circ}{8} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 荷 } \\ & \text { 范 } \end{aligned}$ |  |  | 免 |
| 1．． | 64 | 82 | 82 | 69 | 92 | 82 | 122 | 95 | 101 | 73 | 93 |
| $2 .$. | 55 | 51 | 75 | 80 | 98 | 83 | 104 | 100 | 104 | 83 | 96 |
| 3. | 50 | 49 | 82 | 53 | 140 | 90 | 94 | 110 | 118 | 92 | 103 |
| 4. | 45 | 54 | 52 | 50 | 99 | 95 | 94 | 113 | 119 | 95 | 104 |
| 5. | 38 | 53 | 41 | 44 | 98 | 98 | 103 | 107 | 114 | 96 | 104 |
| 8. | 33 | 41 | 29 | 34 | 100 | 105 | 110 | 104 | 108 | 103 | 104 |
| 7. | 34 | 30 | 23 | 29 | 107 | 118 | 105 | 109 | 104 | 111 | 109 |
| 8. | 34 | 33 | 23 | 30 | 115 | 130 | 94 | 123 | 106 | 114 | 118 |
| 9. | 37 | 44 | 25 | 35 | 119 | 135 | 88 | 133 | 113 | 117 | 121 |
| 10. | 48 | 50 | 31 | 43 | 117 | 136 | 89 | 136 | 124 | 122 | 125 |
| 11． | 65 | 53 | 45 | 55 | 115 | 135 | 95 | 128 | 121 | 131 | 123 |
| 12. | 82 | 83 | 80 | 69 | 117 | ，127 | 104 | 111 | 107 | 133 | 116 |
| 13. | 92 | 82 | 78 | 84 | 115 | －109 | 104 | 101 | 101 | 126 | 108 |
| 14. | 94 | 95 | 101 | 98 | 115 | 90 | 98 | 98 | 104 | 121 | 105 |
| 15. | 98 | 96 | 130 | 107 | 118 | 78 | 90 | 93 | 99 | 121 | 100 |
| 16. | 107 | 101 | 140 | 115 | 108 | 75 | 82 | 82 | 83 | 111 | 90 |
| 17. | 118 | 115 | 129 |  | 88 | 79 | 80 | 70 | 70 |  | 79 |
| 18. | 132 | 132 | 122 | 129 | 79 | 89 | 86 | 68 | 87 | 96 | 77 |
| 19. | 140 | 144 | 139 | 141 | 82 | 101 | 88 | 74 | 72 | 102 | 84 |
| 20. | 137 | 146 | 183 | 148 |  | 108 | 88 | 85 | 82 | 96 | 88 |
| 21. | 141 | 145 | 170 | 152 | 78 | 97 | 81 | 91 | 92 | 86 | 88 |
| 22. | 154 | 147 | 185 | 155 | 77 | 83 | 77 | 89 | 93 | 80 | 85 |
| 23. | 160 | 154 | 166 | 180 | 83 | 80 | 83 | 84 | 83 | 78 | 82 |
| 24. | 164 | 174 | 183 | 173 | 92 | 89 | 97 | 86 | 78 | 79 | 86 |
| 25. | 181 | 197 | 190 | 189 | 97 | 100 | 107 | 93 | 81 | 82 | 93 |
| 26. | 198 | 204 | 187 | 190 | 100 | 104 | 103 | 102 | 94 | 92 | 99 |
| 27. | 181 | 182 | 131 | 188 | 105 | 101 | 105 | 107 | 110 | 105 | 108 |
| 28. | 140 | 136 | 100 | 128 | 108 | 100 | 130 | 109 | 120 | 102 | 110 |
| 29. | 103 | 94 | 92 | 96 | 101 | 97 | 154 | 108 | 122 | 84 | 107 |
| 30. | 79 | 74 | 85 | 79 | 92 | 89 | 147 | 99 | 112 | 71 | 98 |

representing the mean of several years' observations, it is not strange that great care should be needful in order to determine the approximate character of the normal flexures.
My previous discussions having shown that the lunar rain-curves at a given station vary somewhat at different seasons of the year, I first computed the normal curves at "Husband's" for each month of the year independently, and then "smoothed" the curves by taking the fourth successive means between the daily normals of successive months. This second series of normals, although insufficient for any conclusive inferences based on comparisons between consecntive months, should furnish approximate evidence of the normal changes, as well as means for making eighteen entirely independent comparisons between curves with intervals of five or six months. The normals for these two series of curves are given in Tables III. and IV. If there were no other than an accidental connection between the several curves, the chances of agreement or disagreement between the normal excesses or deficiencies of rainfall, in each independent comparison, would be equal, there being a probability of 15 days agreement and 15 days disagreement. The actual accordances and discordances and the ratios indicative of a vera causa in lunar action, are given below, 1 being the ratio of probable accidental agreement.

TABLE II.
Normal Proportions of Rainfall at "Husband's" on Lunar Days of each Calendar Month, for Independent Comparisons.

|  | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | Apl. | May | June | July | Aug. | Sept. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1.. | 29 | 31 | 10 | 49 | 66 | 51 | 49 | 121 | 121 | 112 | 76 | 41 |
| 2. | 32 | 32 | 11 | 30 | 60 | 58 | 54 | 132 | 136 | 120 | 67 | 50 |
| 3. | 34 | 31 | 17 | 15 | 58 | 64 | 60 | 129 | 143 | 157 | 73 | 58 |
| 4. | 33 | 29 | 25 | 9 | 58 | 76 | 64 | 110 | 144 | 164 | 95 | 48 |
| 5. | 34 | 34 | 30 | 11 | 57 | 85 | 73 | 91 | 137 | 148 | 112 | 33 |
| 6. |  | 41 | 27 | 16 | 56 | 78 | 94 | 83 | 120 | 148 | 119 | 31 |
| 7. | 42 | 39 | 18 | 19 | 58 | 68 | 107 | 99 | 108 | 154 | 134 | 42 |
|  | 47 | 31 | 12 | 18 | 60 | 70 | 102 | 128 | 114 | 161 | 156 | 48 |
| 9. | 56 | 26 | 9 | 15 | 62 | 77 | 95 | 138 | 130 | 170 | 166 | 45 |
| 10. | 61 | 29 | 10 | 16 | 59 | 88 | 93 | 125 | 151 | 181 | 162 | 43 |
| 11. | 58 | 38 | 13 | 21 | 49 | 114 | 89 | 107 | 154 | 158 | 153 | 44 |
| 12. | 49 | 42 | 21 | 29 | 41 | 134 | 85 | 104 | 123 | 134 | 142 | 43 |
| 13. | 38 | 36 | 28 | 30 | 39 | 119 | 89 | 113 | 96 | 135 | 114 | 47 |
| 14. | 32 | 27 | 34 | 23 | 41 | 85 | 106 | 127 | 93 | 148 | 77 | 59 |
| 15. | 30 | 22 | 32 | 16 | 45 | 64 | 124 | 134 | 93 | 143 | 53 | 64 |
| 16. | 31 | 24 | 22 | 15 | 44 | 57 | 119 | 115 | 83 | 117 | 56 | 53 |
| 17. | 34 | 27 | 14 | 16 | 45 | 55 | 94 | 81 | 71 | 98 | 69 | 42 |
| 18. | 40 | 28 | 15 | 18 | 49 | 63 | 72 | 62 | 61 | 99 | 77 | 47 |
| 19. | 44 | 28 | 15 | 23 | 46 | 75 | 63 | 73 | 64 | 105 | 91 | 55 |
| 20. | 41 | 31 | 12 | 30 | 36 | 75 | 62 | 84 | 79 | 114 | 111 | 46 |
| 21. | 35 | 31 | 11 | 35 | 26 | 68 | 69 | 80 | 93 | 126 | 114 | 29 |
| 22. | 33 | 28 | 12 | 38 | 22 | 61 | 73 | 85 | 90 | 129 | 100 | 20 |
| 23. | 36 | 29 | 10 | 36 | 31 | 55 | 71 | 102 | 72 | 121 | 88 | 20 |
| 24 | 41 | 31 | 12 | 24 | 57 | 54 | 67 | 109 | 65 | 117 | 97 | 23 |
| 25. | 38 | 31 | 17 | 12 | 77 | 57 | 66 | 103 | 85 | 119 | 117 | 31 |
| 26. | 34 | 32 | 21 | 12 | 68 | 67 | 74 | 103 | 105 | 133 | 120 | 40 |
| 27. | 33 | 35 | 20 | 32 | 46 | 77 | 85 | 120 | 106 | 156 | 102 | 49 |
| 28. | 32 | 39 | 19 | 58 | 50 | 69 | 81 | 136 | 98 | 170 | 92 | 55 |
| 29. | 28 | 39 | 19 | 68 | 71 | 52 | 63 | 127 | 96 | 165 | 91 | 53 |
| 30. | 27 | 35 | 14 | 83 | 76 | 45 | 50 | 115 | 104 | 142 | 88 | 44 |


|  | A. | D. | Ratio. |  | A. | D. | Ratio. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jan. | June...... 24 | 6 | 4.00 | July | 23 | 7 | 3.29 |
|  | July ...... 25 | 5 | 5.00 |  | Jan. ...... 25 | 5 | 5.00 |
| ' | Aug....... 20 | 10 | 2.00 |  | Feb. ...... 24 | 6 | 4.00 |
| Sum | ............ 69 | 21 | 3.29 | Sum | 72 | 18 | 4.00 |
| Feb. | July ...... 24 | 6 | 4.00 | Aug. | Jan. ...... 20 | 10 | 2.00 |
|  | Aug....... 23 | 7 | 3.29 |  | Feb....... 23 | 7 | 3.29 |
| '6 | Sep. ...... 24 | 6 | 4.00 |  | Mar. ..... 18 | 12 | 1.50 |
| Sum | 71 | 19 | 3.74 | Sum | . 61 | 29 | 2.10 |
| Mar. | Aug....... 18 | 12 | 1.50 | Sep. | Feb. ..... 24 | 6 | 4.00 |
|  | Sep. ...... 21 | 9 | 2.33 |  | Mar. ...... 21 | 9 | 2.33 |
| ' ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | Oct. ...... 20 | 10 | 2.00 |  | Apl. ...... 20 | 10 | 2.00 |
| Sum. | 59 | 31 | 1.90 | Sum. | 65 | 25 | 2.60 |
| Apl. | Sep. ...... 20 | 10 | 2.00 | Oct. | Mar. ...... 20 | 10 | 2.00 |
|  | Oct. ...... 17 | 13 | 1.31 |  | Apl. ...... 17 | 13 | 1.31 |
| 6 | Nov. ...... 19 | 11 | 1.73 |  | May ...... 24 | ${ }^{6}$ | 4.00 |
| Sum.. | 56 | 34 | 1.65 | Sum. | 61 | 29 | 2.10 |
| May | Oct. ....... 24 |  | 4.00 | Nov. | Apl. ...... 19 | 11 | 1.73 |
|  | Nov........ 25 | 5 | 5.00 |  | May ...... 25 | 5 | 5.00 |
| " | Dec. ....... 23 | 7 | 3.29 |  | June...... 23 | , | 3.29 |
| Sum.. | 72 | 18 | 4.00 | Sum. | 67 | 23 | 2.83 |
| June | Nov. ...... 23 | 7 | 3.29 | Dec. | May ...... 23 | 7 | 3.29 |
| " | Dec. ...... 23 | 7 | 3.29 | " | June ...... 23 | 7 | 3.29 |
| " | Jan. ...... 24 | - | 4.00 | '، | July ...... 24 |  | 4.00 |
| Sum.. | 70 | 20 | 3.50 | Sum. | 70 | 20 | 3.50 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

TABLE III.
Normal Percentages of Rainfall at "Husband's," on Lunar Days of each Calendar Month, for Independent Comparısons.

|  | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | Apl. | May | June | July | Aug. | Sep. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. | 76 | 98 | 57 | 184 | 128 | 70 | 62 | 112 | 116 | 81 | 74 | 95 |
| 2. | 83 | 99 | 64 | 112 | 115 | 81 | 68 | 122 | 130 | 87 | 64 | 116 |
| 3. | 89 | 97 | 95 | 56 | 112 | 89 | 75 | 119 | 137 | 114 | 70 | 133 |
| 4. | 88 | 91 | 138 | 35 | 112 | 105 | 80 | 102 | 137 | 119 | 93 | 111 |
| 5. | 90 | 106 | 169 | 41 | 111 | 118 | 92 | 84 | 131 | 107 | 108 | 75 |
| 6. | 99 | 129 | 153 | 60 | 109 | 109 | 117 | 77 | 115 | 107 | 114 | 72 |
|  | 109 | 122 | 103 | 70 | 112 | 94 | 134 | 92 | 104 | 112 | 129 | 96 |
| 8. | 124 | 97 | 67 | 67 | 115 | 97 | 128 | 117 | 109 | 117 | 150 | 111 |
|  | 147 | 81 | 54 | 58 | 119 | 107 | 119 | 128 | 124 | 123 | 160 | 104 |
| 10. | 161 | 91 | 54 | 59 | 114 | 122 | 117 | 116 | 144 | 131 | 156 | 99 |
| 11. | 153 | 120 | 75 | 80 | 94 | 158 | 112 | 100 | 147 | 114 | 148 | 101 |
| 12. | 129 | 133 | 116 | 108 | 79 | 186 | 106 | 96 | 118 | 97 | 137 | 100 |
| 13. | 101 | 113 | 182 | 113 | 75 | 165 | 111 | 105 | 92 | 98 | 110 | 109 |
| 14. | 84 | 83 | 194 | 87 | 78 | 118 | 133 | 118 | 88 | 107 | 74 | 136 |
|  | 79 | 69 | 183 | 61 | 86 | 89 | 155 | 124 | 88 | 104 | 51 | 148 |
| 16. | 80 | 75 | 123 | 56 | 86 | 79 | 150 | 107 | 80 | 85 | 54 | 123 |
| 17. | 88 | 85 | 82 | 61 | 86 | 77 | 118 | 75 | 68 | 71 | 67 | 97 |
| 18. | 105 | 87 | 87 | 67 | 94 | 88 | 90 | 58 | 59 | 72 | 74 | 109 |
|  | 116 | 89 | 83 | 87 | 89 | 104 | 79 | 68 | 61 | 76 | 88 | 127 |
| 20. | 108 | 98 | 70 | 114 | 70 | 105 | 78 | 78 | 75 | 82 | 107 | 105 |
| 21. | . 93 | 99 | 64 | 131 | 51 | 94 | 87 | 75 | 89 | 91 | 110 | 66 |
| 22. | . 86 | 88 | 65 | 141 | 42 | 85 | 92 | 79 | 86 | 93 | 96 | 47 |
| 23. | 96 | 90 | 58 | 134 | 61 | 77 | 88 | 93 | 69 | 88 | 85 | 46 |
| 24. | . 109 | 99 | 65 | 92 | 110 | 74 | 83 | 101 | 62 | 85 | 94 | 53 |
| 25. | 101 | 98 | 96 | 44 | 149 | 79 | 83 | 95 | 81 | 86 | 113 | 71 |
| 26. | . 89 | 104 | 117 | 46 | 130 | 93 | 92 | 95 | 101 | 96 | 116 | 92 |
| 27. | . 88 | 111 | 115 | 122 | 89 | 107 | 107 | 112 | 101 | 113 | 98 | 112 |
| 28. | 84 | 122 | 109 | 218 | 96 | 96 | 102 | 126 | 94 | 123 | 88 | 126 |
| 29. | . 75 | 122 | 105 | 257 | 138 | 73 | 79 | 118 | 92 | 120 | 88 | 121 |
| 30. | 71 | 109 | 76 | 237 | 147 | 63 | 63 | 107 | 99 | 103 | 85 | 102 |

If these accordances can be properly interpreted as indicative of lunar influence, they represent results analogons to those we might look for from the simple means of observation extended over a period of about one hundred years. When the average daily temperature is most settled, near the Summer and Winter Solstices, the lunar curves seem most accordant, while they are most opposed wheu the changes of season and temperature are most rapid and in the most opposite directions, near the Vernal and Autumnal Equinoxes.

Having thus shown that the general agreement is too great to be regarded as merely accidental, and that there are valid reasons for important differences in the curves for different months, we are prepared for the sixty-six comparisons of entirely independent curves, for which Table III. furnishes the data. The sums of the agreements and disagreements between the curves for each month and for all the remaining months, are as follows :

|  | A. | D. |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | A. | D. |  | A. | D. |
| January, | 173 | 157 |  |  |  |  |
| February, | 200 | 130 |  |  |  |  |
| March, | 190 | 140 |  |  |  |  |
| April, | 148 | 182 | June, | 170 | 160 |  |
| July, | 198 | 132 | September, | 198 | 132 |  |
| August, | 180 | 134 | 150 | October, | 202 | 128 |
| November, | 188 | 142 |  |  |  |  |
| December, | 179 | 151 |  |  |  |  |

Here again we find convincing evidence, and in some respects more satisfactory than before, of a uniformity of lunar action that is obscured by the preponderating variations of solar action, only in the single month

TABLE IV.
Normal Percentages of Rainfall at "Husband's," on Lunar Days of each Calendar Month, for Independent Comparisons at Intervals of Five or Six Months.

|  | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | Apl. | May | June | July | Aug. | Sep. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. |  | 90 | 111 | 126 | 102 | 88 | 88 | 98 | 99 | 90 | 81 | 81 |
| 2. | 91 | 91 | 94 | 102 | 97 | 89 | 95 | 109 | 108 | 94 | 83 | 85 |
| 3. | 99 | 95 | 87 | 89 | 93 | 92 | 98 | 113 | 117 | 110 | 98 | 96 |
| 4. | 97 | 99 | 91 | 91 | 97 | 97 | 98 | 109 | 118 | 115 | 100 | 100 |
| 5. | 94 | 104 | 105 | 99 | 104 | 104 | 99 | 101 | 109 | 111 | 104 | 96 |
|  | $1 \mathrm{C1}$ | 114 | 113 | 101 | 104 | 107 | 102 | 94 | 10.3 | 108 | 106 | 300 |
|  | 111 | 110 | 102 | 97 | 102 | 108 | 109 | 105 | 108 | 112 | 116 | 115 |
| 8. | 118 | 101 | 86 | 91 | 102 | 111 | 116 | 110 | 116 | 122 | 129 | 130 |
| 9. | 122 | 98 | 79 | 89 | 105 | 113 | 119 | 124 | 123 | 132 | 136 | 138 |
| 10. | 127 | 107 | 83 | 90 | 109 | 117 | 120 | 125 | 132 | 138 | 138 | 136 |
| 11. | 130 | 120 | 99 | 98 | 117 | 125 | 120 | 118 | 124 | 128 | 129 | 131 |
| 12. | $1: 3$ | 125 | 116 | 110 | 125 | 132 | 120 | 108 | 106 | 111 | 116 | 120 |
| 13. | 109 | 116 | 119 | 112 | 118 | 125 | 118 | 105 | 104 | 100 | 103 | 107 |
| 14. | 99 | 105 | 111 | 102 | 102 | 114 | 120 | 113 | 102 | 97 | $9 \downarrow$ | 97 |
| 15. | 94 | 95 | 98 | 91 | 93 | 110 | 123 | 117 | 102 | 90 | 85 | 83 |
| 16. | 87 | 80 | 84 | 88 | 87 | 103 | 115 | 108 | 91 | 80 | 75 | 81 |
| 17. | 86 | 85 | 79 | 77 | 83 | 90 | 90 | 81 | 73 | 70 | 72 | 79 |
| 18. | 97 | 94 | 85 | 84 | 88 | 86 | 77 | 67 | 85 | 69 | 77 | 88 |
| 19. | 108 | 100 | 89 | 90 | 93 | 90 | 80 | 70 | 69 | 78 | 87 | 101 |
| 20. | 104 | 99 | 93 | 89 | 89 | 88 | 83 | 79 | 80 | 87 | 95 | 103 |
| 21. | 89 | 91 | 92 | 85 | 81 | 83 | 83 | 83 | 87 | 93 | 109 | 93 |
| 22. | 77 | 83 | 90 | 83 | 76 | 80 | 84 | 85 | 87 | 90 | 88 | 81 |
| 23. | 79 | 88 | 90 | 86 | 79 | 80 | 85 | 85 | 82 | 82 | 80 | 77 |
| 24. | 88 | 92 | 91 | 94 | 91 | 87 | 86 | 85 | 81 | 82 | 83 | 84 |
| 25. | 94 | 93 | 91 | 99 | 102 | 94 | 88 | 87 | 88 | 91 | 95 | 93 |
| 26. | 97 | 95 | 94 | 97 | 102 | 99 | 93 | 98 | 99 | 102 | 104 | 102 |
| 27. | 101 | 105 | 110 | 106 | 102 | 104 | 107 | 108 | 107 | 107 | 105 | 103 |
| 28. | 104 | 114 | 138 | 135 | 113 | 104 | 103 | 111 | 110 | $1 \cdot 9$ | 105 | 103 |
| 29. | 99 | 112 | 151 | 159 | 124 | 96 | 93 | 142 | 108 | 108 | 103 | 101 |
| 30. | 89 | 99 | 134 | 151 | 119 | 87 | 83 | 91 | 100 | 98 | 93 | 9. |

of April. If we examine still more closely for clues which may be of possible future service in the study of the reasons for accordance and discordance, we find that in nineteen instances the discordance'is greater than we should expect if it were merely casual ; in five, it is the same ; and in forty-two it is less; as will be seen by the following statement of the numbers of discordances, and the curves by which they are severally shown :

## Excess of Discordance.

20, Aug.-Nov.; 19, Jan.-Mar.; Apl.-May, Apl.—Oct., May—Jul., May—Dec., Nov.—Dec.; 18, Jan.-Apl., Apl.—Jul., Apl.—Sep.; 17, Jan.-Aug., Jan.-Oct., Apl.-Aug., Apl.-Nov., May-Jun.; 16, Feb. -Aug., Mar.-May, Apl.-Jun., Sep.-Dec.

## Average Discordance.

15, Jan.-Feb., Jan.-May, Feb.-Dec., Mar.-Apl., Jun.-Aug. Excess of Agreement.
14, Jan.-Sep., Feb.-May, Mar.-Aug., Mar.-Nov., Apl.—Dec., Oct. —Nov.; 13, Jan.-Dec., Mar.—Sep., Mar.—Dec., Aug.-Sep.; 12, Jau.Jul., May-Aug., May-Nov., Jun.-Dec., Jul.-Sep., Jul.-Dec.; 11, Feb.-Apl., Feb.—Jun., Feb.—Jul., Feb.-Sep., Mar.-Jun , Juu.-Oct., Jul.-Aug., Jul.-Nov., Oct.-Dec.; 10, Jan.-Jun., Feb.-Oct., Feb.Nov., Mar.-Oct., May-Oct., Jun.-Jul., Jun.-Sep.; 9, Mar.-Jul.,

## TABLE V.

Normal Percentages of Rainfall at "Husband's," on Lunar Days of each Calendar. Month, for Forecasts.

|  | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | Apl. | May | June | July | Aug. | Sep. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 94 | 110 | 117 | 106 | 91 | 89 | 95 | 97 | 90 | 81 | 82 |
| 2. | 90 | 92 | 95 | 99 | 96 | 92 | 97 | 105 | 105 | 95 | 86 | 86 |
| 3. | 97 | 94 | 90 | 89 | 92 | 94 | 100 | 110 | 114 | 109 | 101 | 97 |
| 4. | 98 | 95 | 92 | 92 | 95 | 92 | 100 | 109 | 115 | 114 | 107 | 101 |
| 5. |  | 102 | 103 | 102 | 103 | 103 | 101 | 103 | 108 | 109 | 104 | 98 |
| 6. | 104 | 1198 | 108 | 105 | 104 | 105 | 102 | 101 | 103 | 106 | 105 | 102 |
|  | 112 | 108 | 103 | 99 | 102 | 107 | 108 | 106 | 107 | 112 | 115 | 114 |
|  | 117 | 102 | 91 | 92 | 101 | 110 | 115 | 116 | 118 | 122 | 128 | 127 |
|  | 120 | 99 | 86 | 90 | 103 | 113 | 119 | 123 | 127 | 132 | 135 | 132 |
| 10. | 124 | 106 | 91 | 93 | 106 | 116 | 120 | 126 | 132 | 136 | 138 | 134 |
|  | 128 | 118 | 104 | 103 | 114 | 122 | 121 | 120 | 124 | 127 | 129 | 130 |
| 12. | 123 | 122 | 117 | 115 | 123 | 127 | 120 | 111 | 108 | 111 | 116 | 120 |
| 13. | 110 | 115 | 116 | 115 | 118 | 122 | 116 | 108 | 103 | 102 | 103 | 107 |
|  | 1י0 | 105 | 167 | 104 | 105 | 113 | 117 | 112 | 104 | 98 | 96 | 97 |
| 15. | 93 | 96 | 91 | 93 | 97 | 109 | 118 | 115 | 103 | 92 | 87 | 89 |
|  | 85 | 86 | 84 | 83 | 90 | 102 | 109 | 104 | 92 | 82 | 78 | 81 |
|  | 84 | 84 | 80 | 79 | 83 | 90 | 88 | 81 | 74 | 71 | 73 | 79 |
| 18. | 94 | 92 | 87 | 85 | $80^{6}$ | 84 | 77 | 69 | 66 | 70 | 78 | 88 |
|  | 104 | 99 | 92 | 90 | 91 | 88 | 80 | 72 | 69 | 75 | 88 | 99 |
| 20. | 103 | 99 | 94 | 90 | 89 | 87 | 83 | 80 | 82 | 87 | 95 | 101 |
|  | . 91 | 91 | 90 | 86 | 82 | 83 | 83 | 84 | 88 | 96 | 101 | 96 |
|  | 79 | 83 | 87 | 85 | 79 | 80 | 83 | 85 | 87 | 89 | 87 | 82 |
|  | 80 | 85 | 88 | 85 | 81 | 81 | 84 | 84 | 83 | 81 | 80 | 78 |
| 24. | 88 | 91 | 92 | 92 | 91 | 88 | 86 | 84 | \% 2 | 82 | 83 | 85 |
| 25. | 93 | 93 | 94 | 98 | 99 | 94 | 89 | 88 | 89 | 91 | 94 | 95 |
|  | 98 | 95 | 95 | 97 | 100 | 99 | 96 | 96 | 99 | 102 | 103 | 111 |
| 27. | 102 | 105 | 108 | 106 | 104 | 104 | 106 | 108 | 107 | 107 | 105 | 103 |
|  | 106 | 117 | 130 | 130 | 116 | 107 | 108 | 110 | 110 | 108 | 106 | 104 |
|  | 103 | 118 | 143 | 148 | 126 | 102 | 96 | 101 | 105 | 105 | 103 | 101 |
| 30. | 92 | 105 | 130 | 139 | 119 | 94 | 87 | 93 | 98 | 97 | 94 | 91 |

Jun.-Nov., Jul.-Oct., Sep.-Oct., Sep.-Nov.; 8, Aug.-Oct.; 7, Jan. -Nov., May-Sep., Aug.-Dec.; 6, Feb.-Mar.

The greatest amount of change produced by the lateral smoothing is shown in the following summary of comparisons between Table III. and Table V.:

|  | A. | D. |  | A. | D. |  | A. | D. |  | A |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jan. | 22 | 8 | Apl. | 21 | 9 | Jul. | 26 | 4 | Oct. | 24 |  |
| Feb. | 26 | 4 | May |  | 11 | Aug. | 23 | 7 | Nov. | 23 |  |
| Mar. | 23 | 7 | Jun. | 22 | 8 | Sep. | 23 | 7 | Dec. | 18 | 12 |

Table V. is formed from Table IV. by taking two additional successive means. I am inclined to think that its normals would best represent the means of observations extending over indefinite long periods, but Table III. would perhaps more nearly indicate the disturbances of mean lunar influence that might be expected at different seasons of the year. It is possible that by systematically comparing monthly observations with each of the tables, probable causes for any marked deviations from the normals might be found.

Table I. presents three sets of solar and six sets of lunar normals, each of which is derived from observations extending over equal, but noncorrespondent, periods of one hundred and eight months. They therefore furnish data for three entirely independent solar, as well as for seven entirely, and three nearly independent lunar comparisons. The lunar columns cover twenty-seven years' observations in the following months: Summer Solstice, May to August, inclusive; Winter Solstice, November to February, inclusive ; Vernal Equinox, February to May, inclusive ; Autumnal Equinox, August to November, inclusive; Vernal and Autumnal Equinox, March, April, September, October; Summer and Winter Solstice, June, July, December, January. The solar columns exhibit, as we might expect, the closest accordance. The lunar, in spite of the great irregularities in Spring and Fall, also exhibit a predominance of accordances in each of the ten comparisons, whereas, if there were no well-marked lunar action, we ought to have found a predominance of disagreements in five of the comparisons.

The accompanying curves illustrate some of the more important results of the foregoing discussion :
Curves 1-12 (Lunar), illustrating Table IV.

1. January.
2. April.
3. July.
4. October.
5. February.
6. May.
7. August.
8. November.
9. March.
10. June.
11. September.
12. December.

Curves 13-15 (Lunar), illustrating Table I.
13. Summer Solstitial, continuous line. Winter ، broken line.
14. Vernal Equinoctial, continuous line. Autumnal " broken line.
15. Mean Equinoctial, continuous line.
" Solstitial, broken line.
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Curve 16 (Solar), illustrating Table I.
16. 1847-'55, continuous line. 1856-'64, broken line. 1865-'73, dotted line. Curve 17 (Solar and Lunar), illustrating Table I.
17. Solar mean, continuous line. Lunar " broken line.
The horizontal line in each figure represents the mean daily rainfall for the entire period represented by the curve ; the abscissas, the times; and the ordinates, the normal percentage of excess or deficiencr of rain-

fall. The origin of the abscissas is at New Year in the solar curves, and at full moon in each of the lunar curves, except figure 17, where it is taken at new moon in order to show the analogous effects of increasing radiation, both in the solar and in the lunar curves. At Lisbon, where the prevailing winds are from an opposite quarter, the lunar influence is also opposite, increasing lunar radiations and decreasing solar radiations, each bringing increase of rain.
" Husband's" Station is in St. Lucy's parish, northwestern part of Barbadoes, not far from the coast, 184 feet above the sea. In the following tables, new moon, first quarter, full moon, last quarter, are respectively marked by, n, a, f, b.

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REPLY TO DR. T. STERRY HUNT.
By F. A. Genth.
(Read before the American Philosophical Society, July 17, 1874.)
Dr. T. Sterry Hunt has published in the Proceedings of the Boston Society of Natural History, Vol. XVI., March 4th, 1874, an article, entitled: "On Dr. Genth's Researches on Corundum and its associated minerals," in which he charges me-in common with many others-of having fallen into errors and of having been led to conclusions voholly untenable, for a lack of a clear understanding as to replacement, alteration and association in the mineral kingdom.
He then gives an outline of the manner in which the various alterations in a mineral species may take place, by replacement, envelopment and epigenesis with examples for each, and dwells at more length upon the fallacy of considering the alterations of many minerals and rock masses as the result of an epigenic process; a doctrine which has been embodied in the dictum of Prof. Dana: "regional metamorphism is pseudomorphism on a broad scale."
He then refers briefly to the results of my investigation on corundum, in which I have shown that by "epigenic" pseudomorphism this mineral has been altered into numerous more complex species and rock masses-and winds up by stating that he not only has carefully studied

